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TAGS: PREL, PGOV, MARR, BE, FR, UK, LI, IV, SL, UV, AO,  
RW, NI, CG, LY, UN, ECOWAS

SUBJECT: A/S GEORGE MOOSE MEETS WITH BELGIANS AND FRENCH

1. SUMMARY: ASSISTANT SECRETARY GEORGE MOOSE MET  
SEPARATELY WITH BELGIAN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND FRENCH [REDACTED]

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ON APRIL 20, 1995. AF COUNTRY DIRECTORS SAT IN ON VARIOUS  
PARTS OF THE MEETINGS. DISCUSSIONS COVERED A RANGE OF  
COUNTRIES/ISSUES, INCLUDING ZAIRE RWANDA, LIBERIA, SIERRA  
LEONE, ANGOLA, AND LIBYA'S SEAT ON THE SECURITY COUNCIL.  
COMMON THEMES INCLUDED THE DANGERS OF ARMS FLOWS AND THE  
NEED FOR GREATER REGIONAL, AFRICAN, AND UN ENGAGEMENT IN  
CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND PEACEMAKING EFFORTS.

2. [REDACTED] LED OFF COMMENTING THAT HE WAS NOT SURE THAT  
THERE WAS MUCH POSITIVE TO SAY ABOUT THE USUAL TOPICS OF  
DISCUSSIONS.

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5. POLITICAL SITUATION: [ ] NOTED THAT WHILE THE ECONOMY IS COMING BACK TO LIFE, HE SEES EVIDENCE THAT RWANDA IS SLIDING BACK TOWARDS A TRADITIONAL TUTSI REGIME, A VIEW SHARED BY THE BELGIAN EMBASSY IN KIGALI. THIS LED TO A GENERAL DISCUSSION WITH SPECIAL COORDINATOR TOWNSEND

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FRIEDMAN AS TO WHETHER TUTSI DOMINANCE WAS BY DESIGN OR MERELY A REFLECTION OF THE PREDOMINANTLY TUTSI COMPOSITION OF THE RPF. THE BELGIANS TEND TO DISCOUNT THE IDEA OF A MASTER PLAN. THEY ARE CONVINCED, HOWEVER, THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS EXECUTING A PLAN TO DISCREDIT THEM AND THUS

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NEUTRALIZE BELGIAN POLITICAL LEVERAGE. IN THE LONG TERM, THE BELGIANS ARE CONCERNED THAT DESPITE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE, THERE WILL BE NO POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT.

6. JUDICIAL PROCESS: THERE IS AN IMMEDIATE PROBLEM WITH THE JUDICIAL PROCESS; THE PRISONS ARE FULL AND THE JUDICIAL PROCESS APPEARS STALLED. (THERE WAS AGREEMENT THAT THE RED CROSS PLAN TO BUILD NEW PRISONS WAS A VERY BAD ANSWER TO THE PROBLEM.) THE ORIGINAL IDEA WAS THAT THERE WOULD INDEED BE LARGE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE ARRESTED, BUT THEIR CASES WOULD BE QUICKLY REVIEWED BY COMMISSIONS D'TRIAGE, AND ONLY THOSE SUSPECTED OF SERIOUS OFFENSES

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WOULD BE HELD FOR FORMAL TRIAL. THE COMMISSIONS DON'T APPEAR TO BE WORKING. THERE WAS SPECULATION ABOUT THE GOVERNMENT'S SINCERITY AND COMMITMENT TO POLITICAL RECONCILIATION AND FEAR THAT THE GOVERNMENT MIGHT ACTUALLY BE STALLING THE COMMISSIONS IN ORDER TO TERRORIZE THE POPULATION. [REDACTED] STRESSED THE NEED TO PRESSURE THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA TO SPEED UP THE PROCESS. A/S MOOSE NOTED THAT THE U.S. FACES LEGAL IMPEDIMENTS TO ASSISTING THE COMMISSIONS.

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7. ARMS: THE BELGIANS ARE AWARE OF AND WORRIED ABOUT ARMS SHIPMENTS FROM SOFIA TO GOMA. THERE WAS AGREEMENT THAT WE SHOULD ATTEMPT TO STOP ANY ARMS FLOW INTO THE CAMPS, ESPECIALLY AS THIS MIGHT IMPROVE OUR CREDIBILITY WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA. FRIEDMAN ASKED [REDACTED] VIEW OF LIFTING THE ARMS EMBARGO ON THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA. [REDACTED] WAS DUBIOUS, WONDERING HOW ONE COULD EXPLAIN SUCH A MOVE TO THE U.S. AND BELGIAN PUBLIC IN THE LIGHT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF RWANDA'S BEHAVIOR. A/S MOOSE SUGGESTED THAT SELECTIVE EXEMPTION OF NON-LETHAL EQUIPMENT BY THE UN MIGHT NOT BE UNREASONABLE. [REDACTED] WAS SKEPTICAL OF THIS AS WELL.

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8. RELIEF EFFORT: A/S MOOSE WORRIED ABOUT AN AID REPORT THAT THE DONOR NATIONS WERE NOT COORDINATING WELL AND THAT WHILE MUCH AID HAD BEEN PLEDGED, LITTLE HAD ACTUALLY BEEN DELIVERED. [REDACTED] SAID THAT ASSISTANCE WAS BEING DISBURSED VERY FAST; HE JUST WORRIED WHETHER IT WOULD

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REALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE SIX MONTHS FROM NOW.

9. IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE MEETING WITH [REDACTED] MR.  
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MOOSE MET WITH [REDACTED]  
DISCUSSIONS BEGAN WITH LIBERIA.

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SIERRA LEONE  
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19. THE MEETINGS WERE FOLLOWED BY A WORKING LUNCH FOR ALL

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